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FM AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3085

INFO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

AMEMBASSY WARSAW

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CASC, PINS, VS

SUBJ: AMERICANS CAPTURED IN BAN ME THOUT

REF: (A) STATE 91715; (B) BUDAPEST 1182

1. DURING COURTESY CALL APRIL 26 ON FONMIN PUJA, AMBASSADOR TOOK OCCASION TO RAISE WITH HIM PLIGHT OF TEN AMERICANS CAPTURED IN BAN ME THUOT. MCAULIFFE SAID WELFARE AND SAFETY OF THESE AMERICANS WAS VERY MUCH ON MIND OF OFFICIALS AT SENIOR LEVELS IN WASHINGTON. USG VIEWS QUESTION AS HUMANITARIAN PROBLEM WITH NO POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS WHATEVER. MCAULIFFE URGED THAT GOH DO WHATEVER IT COULD IN SAME HUMANITARIAN SPIRIT TO ASSIST U.S. IN DETERMIING WHEREABOUTS AND CONDITION OF THESE TEN AMERICANS AND IN EFFECTING THEIR RELEASE. U.S. NOW HAD HARD INFORMATION ON THEIR WHEREABOUTS AND HAD SO INFORMED GOH. U.S. WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL FOR ANY ASSISTANCE WHICH HUNGARIANS COULD PROVIDE IN HELPING U.S. TO OBTAIN RELEASE AND REPATRIATION OF THESE TEN AMERICANS.

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2. PUJA INQUIRED WHETHER U.S. HAD BEEN IN CONTACT

WITH PRG. COMMENT: (THIS SEEMED TO BE IMPORTANT TO HIM.) HE
SAID HE WAS QUITE CONFIDENT THAT AMERICANS WOULD BE
RELEASED AND CITED IN SUPPORT OF THAT CONVICTION
RECENT RELEASE BY HANOI OF IRANIAN AND INDONESIAN
MEMBERS OF ICCS CAPTURED DURING NVA OFFENSIVE. HE
SAID GOH WOULD DO WHAT IT COULD TO ASSIST; BUT HE MADE
NO PROMISES.
MCAULIFFE

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